

**REMARKS**

This application contains claims 30, 31 and 33 through 58, all of which are allowed.

Applicants amended the specification on page 46 to clarify a description of FIG. 57. Applicants amended claim 50 to delete a superfluous phrase. Since these amendments neither raises new issues nor require further consideration, entry is respectfully solicited.

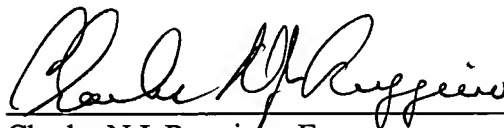
In the Notice of Allowability, page 2, section 2 discusses an information disclosure statement (IDS) that Applicants filed on May 16, 2002, and indicates that two articles were not provided. However, Applicants' file indicates that Applicants included the articles with the IDS.

With the present document, Applicants are submitting a copy of a return postcard for the IDS showing a USPTO date stamp of May 16, 2002. Applicants are also submitting a PTO-1449 with a copy of each of the articles that were previously submitted on May 13, 2002. Thus, this is a resubmission of previously submitted material. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the articles and send Applicants a copy of the PTO-1449 indicating that the articles were considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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